THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Tuesday, 22nd December 1953.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at nine of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Local Fund Hospital, Kundotti.

* 195 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon the Minister for Health be pleased to state the amount Government have allotted for the Local Fund Hospital, Kundotti, South Malabar, annually for medicines and how many persons attend the hospital daily as out-patients?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" The annual allotment for the purchase of medicines for the Rural Dispensary at Kundotti is Rs. 720. The average daily attendance of patients at the dispensary is 34."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN:—" സർ, ഒരു കൊല്ലത്തേക്കു ഒരു ലോക്കൽ ഫണ്ട് ഡിസ്പെൻസറിക്കു 720 ക. മരുന്നിന്നുവേണ്ടി ചിലവാക്കുക എന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ രോഗികളായ ആളുകൾക്കു് ഇതുകൊണ്ടു് എന്തു പ്രയോജനമാണു് ഉണ്ടാകുക എന്നു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മന്ത്രി മനസ്സിലാക്കുമോ ? എഴുനൂററിരുപതു് ഉറുപ്പിക എന്നതു മാററി കൂടുതൽ സംഖ്യ നീക്കിവെക്കുവാനുള്ള നടപടി ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മന്ത്രി എടുക്കുമോ ? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" It is open to the District Board to pay a bigger amount."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM:—" ஒரு நாளைக்கு 34 வியாதியஸ்தர்கள் வருவதாக கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொன்னார்கள். ஆனால் அதே சமயத்தில் அவர்களுக்காக செலவிடப்படும் தொகை ஒரு நாளைக்கு இரண்டு ரூபாய் தான். 34 பேருக்கு ஒரு நாளைக்கு இரண்டு ரூபாய் போதுமா ? ஆகையால் அந்தத் தொகையை உயர்த்த அரசாங்கத்தார் நடவடிக்கை எடுக்குமா ? லோகல் பண்ட் ஆஸ்பத்திரிக்கு நிவாரணம் அளிக்க அதிக கிராண்ட் கொடுக்குமா ? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" The stock mixtures are cheap, Sir."

Opening of a Sub-Registry office at Valayattur.

* 196 *Q.*—SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments be pleased to state whether there is any proposal before the Government to open a Sub-Registry office at Valayattur in Kurumbaranad taluk, Malabar district?

THE HON. SRI K. VENKATASWAMI NAIDU:—" There is no place called Valayattur in Kurumbaranad taluk but only a village called Vilayathur in the Payyoli Registration sub-district. There is no proposal to open a sub-registry office

at that place. There is however a proposal under the consideration of the Inspector-General of Registration to open a Sub-Registry Office at Valayam in the Kurumbaranad tlauk."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN:—" May I know, Sir, whether the proposals under Part II schemes with regard to the opening of sub-registry offices in various places which were put off for the sake of the partition of the State will be taken up now for execution?"

THE HON. SRI K. VENKATASWAMI NAIDU:—" They will be taken into account in the next Budget, Sir."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM:—" What is the exact distance between the place known as Vilayattur and the place in which it is proposed to open the registration office at Valayam and what is the exact distance between Vilayathur and the nearest registration office?"

THE HON. SRI K. VENKATASWAMI NAIDU:—" I want notice, Sir."

Acquittal of a Prohibition case in South Arcot district.

* 197 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Prohibition be pleased to state whether any Prohibition case was acquitted in the South Arcot district up to 31st October in the year 1953 for the reason that arrack is not prohibited liquor?

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM:—" The answer is in the affirmative."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN:—" May I ask why 'arrack' is not prohibited?"

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM:—" Arrack is prohibited."

Leasing of waste lands in Kuthali Nayar's Estate.

* 198 *Q.*—SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many acres of waste lands in Kuthali Nayar's Estate, Kurumbaranad taluk, have been allowed for cultivation in 1949–50, 1950–51 and 1951–52;

(*b*) for how many years they have been leased to tenants; and

(*c*) whether the tenants have the right to effect improvements?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" (*a*) 1,119 acres in 1949.

1,099 acres in 1950.
1,104·50 acres in 1951.
912·50 acres in 1952.
810·0 acres in 1953.